THE MYSORE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

EIGHTIETH DAY.

Saturday, 11th November, 1961.

The House met in the Assembly Hall, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore, at Thirty Minutes past Eight of the Clock.

Mr. SPEAKER (Sri S. R. KANTHI, B.A., LL.B.) in the Chair.

STARRED QUESTIONS

(to which oral answers were given.)

ASSESSMENT OF THE DAMAGE CAUSED BY THE RECENT FLOODS IN COORG.

**Q.*—993. Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA (Virajpet).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether damages caused by the recent floods in Coorg have been assessed;

(*b*) if so, the magnitude of damages caused to private and public properties respectively in the Taluks of (1) Virajpet (2) Mercara, (3) Somwarpet;

(*c*) the extent of paddy fields and plantations damaged in these Taluks;

(*d*) what is the number of houses and sheds that have collapsed or damaged beyond repair;

(*e*) the nature of reliefs granted or proposed to be granted in the case of persons (i) whose paddy fields have been damaged by breaching of bunds and deposit of sands, (ii) whose houses or sheds have collapsed or damaged beyond repair ?

A.—Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA [on behalf of Sri KADIDAL MANJAPPA (Minister for Revenue)].—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Please see Statement given below, in respect of damages caused to private property and to public property.

(*c*) *Paddy fields.*

(1) Virajpet	...	Approx.	3,699-07	acres
(2) Mercara	...	do	447-27	,,
(3) Somwarpet	...	do	302-00	,,
		Total ...	4,448-34	acres.

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Plantation Crop (Standing).

Mercara Taluk	...	Approx.	35-00	acres.
Virajpet Taluk	...	do	89-39	,,
		Total ...	124-34	acres.

(*d*) 429 houses and sheds.

(*e*) Persons whose paddy fields have been damaged are being sanctioned interest-free loans from out of the sum of Rs. 3 lakhs allotted to this District for the purpose.

Gratuitous relief is being sanctioned to the owners of houses and sheds which collapsed or which are damaged and such relief is being sanctioned in accordance with the Standing Orders of Government from out of Rs. 25,000 allotted to the District.

It is proposed to allot building sites to those who desire to shift to safer places situated at a comparatively higher level in paisari lands free of cost. If land is not available in paisari land, sites will be provided free of cost after acquiring private lands. The selection of the site will be made in consultation with the District Health Officer, Coorg.

In addition to this, building materials of the value not exceeding Rs. 300 are proposed to be supplied free of cost to each of the persons whose houses collapsed or were badly damaged.

[*Vide* REPLY TO CLAUSE (*b*) OF STARRED QUESTION No. 993.

Statement showing the nature and extent of damage caused by very heavy rainfall in Coorg District to life and property of the public.

Serial Number	Name of Taluk.	No. of villages affected by flood and heavy rain fall.	No. of cattle lost.	The extent of plantation crops (standing) damaged.	No. of houses that have collapsed.	The extent of paddy fields damaged.	Total loss under all items estimated at.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
				A. G.		A. G.	Rs.
1	Somwarpet ...	54	8	...	27	App. 302–00	App. 2,14,917–00
2	Mercara ...	48	40	App. 35–00	65	App. 447–27	App. 4,17,270–00
3	Virajpet ...	86	191	App. 89–39	337	App. 3,699–07	App. 19,90,254–00
	Grand Total	188	248	App. 124–39	429	App. 4,448–34	App. 26,22,441–00

FLOOD DAMAGES TO ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Roads affected by the recent rains are as under :—

(1)	Mercara-Mangalore Road ...	Heavy land slips and road slip in reach 2/7 to 3/0, 4/3 and 8/5.
(2)	Mercara-Malbar road ..	Heavy to moderate land slips, road slip and washing away of culverts.
(3)	Virajpet-Wontiyagadi road ...	Road in embankment covered.
(4)	Mercara-Virajpet road ...	Heavy to moderate land slips, road breach and washing away of culvert and centring of a bridge under progress.
(5)	Suntikoppa-Siddapur road ...	Land slips and road slip at various places.
(6)	Ammathi-Murnad road ...	Land slips.
(7)	Murnad-Napoklu road ...	Submersion due to flood for a length of 1½ miles.
(8)	Mercara-Kodlipet road ...	Land slips and road surface damaged due to outburst of springs.
(9)	Mercara-Fraserpet road ...	Road surface damaged at two places due to outburst of spr ings, land slips and road submerged under Cauvery floods, floods towards Kushalnagar.
(10)	Kaggodu-Katageri road ...	4 old culverts damaged at land slips.
(11)	Fraserpet-Sirangala road ..	Road submerged by Cauvery flood at four places.
(12)	Shanthally-Kundally road ...	Land slips and road sunk in 2 places.
(13)	Mercara-Bhagmandala road ...	Road slips, slipping of retaining wall and road surface damaged due to outburst of springs.
(14)	Bhagmandala-Talacauvery road	Major land slips and outburst of spring in road surface.
(15)	Bhagmandala-Karike road ...	As above and road slips at many places.
(16)	Bhagmandala-Nopoklu road ...	Tree falls and land slips.
(17)	Bittangala-Nangala road ...	Embankment portion of road washed away badly in four places.

(18) Kutta-Nagahole road	...	A wooden bridge near Nagarhole washed away.
(19) Gonicoppal-Wynad road	...	Outburst of springs at 2-3 places and washing quary of 10 units of ½" metal collected on road side.
(20) Foot bridge on Ponnampet-Madikebeedu road.		The approach is damaged.

Buildings :—

(1) School at Shanthally	...	One side mud wall of the school has collapsed.
(2) Rest house at Mercara	...	The well recently sunk is covered with land slip as also the septic tank, etc.
(3) Swimming Pool at Mercara	...	A portion of the pump house collapsed.
(4) District Health Laboratory		One portion of the wall cracked due to land slip.

Irrigation Works :—

(1) Chiklehole head works and channel.	...	Many breaches in and silting up of channel at many places.
(2) Balagi Anicut and channel	...	There are number of breaches and damages to the C. D. Works.

It is estimated that the approximate cost of all these damages may amount to 5-6 lakhs.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA.—In answer to (*e*), in the case of persons who have lost their homes costing more than 2 to 5 thousand rupees may I know, whether giving 300 rupees materials would be sufficient to raise a building suitable for habition ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, under the circumstances that have happened, the demand being so heavy, all possible help has been. If it is considered later that further help should be given, it will be done if funds are available. It is not unlikely that we may get some help from the Centre.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA.—In the case of wet lands that have been damaged, interest-free loans to the extent of 1000 rupees has been granted. Is it not possible to show the same concession to buildings also?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—The suggestion will be considered.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Sir, the Government was pleased to say that whenever funds are available, they will consider giving further help at a later stage. May I know the steps taken by Government to provide money for all these sufferers ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, it looks as if the Hon'ble Member is not aware of or has not chosen to see what has been done. In spite of all that we have done, if further help is sought, help will be given if funds are availabe. To say that nothing has been done and nothing is rather unkind.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—Sir, I specifically wanted to know as to the steps that they have taken for providing relief to those sufferers affected by floods.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The reply is there.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—How much is given for all these works? I want the details.

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, the question is specifically asked with regard to Coorg have been furnished. What is now suggested by Mr. Muckannappa is, he wants to what all things have been done with regard to flood damage and relief in the whole State.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—No Sir, it is particularly with regard to Coorg.

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—I never said that he is not relevant. If a reference is made to the Proceedings it will be clear that when he put the question, he did not limit it to Coorg. Now that it has been limited to Coorg Sir, I may say that the figures are furnished here. In addition to this, building materials are proposed to be supplied.

Sri J. B. MALLARADHYA.—You will kindly see from the answers furnished that it does not give a correct picture of the extent of relief granted in various categories as enumerated in clause (*e*). Grant sanctioned to the district is 7 lakhs. What is the extent of relief that has been granted?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—It is a continuing process. We have not yet got details from the officers. We are awaiting the report.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—Sir, Government is pleased to say that in addition to this, building materials to the value Rs. 300 is proposed to be given. ಒಬ್ಬನಿಗೆ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳ ಮನೆಗೆ ಹೋಗಿರಬಹುದು ಮತ್ತೊಬ್ಬನಿಗೆ ಕೇವಲ 500 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳ ಮನೆ ಹೋಗಿರಬಹುದು. ಅಂದ ಮೇಲೆ ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಮೆಟೀರಿಯಲ್ 300 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳಷ್ಟು ಮಾತ್ರ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೇವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದರೆ ಹೇಗೆ? ಐತ್ಯರ್ಯವಂತ ಜಾಸ್ತಿ ಮತ್ತೆ ದುಡ್ಡುಕೊಟ್ಟುಕೊಳ್ಳಬಹುದು. ಆದರೆ ಬಡವ ಹೇಗೆ ಕೊಂಡಾನು? ಈಗ ಅಷ್ಟಾಗಿ ಟಿಂಬರ್ ತಾಪತ್ರಯವಿಲ್ಲ. ಅದಕ್ಕೋಸ್ಕರ according to the needs and necessities ಏತಕ್ಕೋಸ್ಕರ ಸರಿಯಾಗಿ ರಿಲೀಫ್ ಕೊಡಬಾರದು?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, we will have to limit it to some figure. If we do not limit it, then it is impossible to give relief to anybody.

ಶ್ರೀ ಜಿ. ಎನ್. ಪುಟ್ಟಣ್ಣ.—ಐದು ಸಾವಿರ ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳ ಮನೆ ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡರೂ ಅಥವಾ 50 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳ ಷೆಡ್ ಕಳೆದುಕೊಂಡರೂ ಕೇವಲ 300 ರೂಪಾಯಿಗಳಷ್ಟು ಮಾತ್ರ ಬಿಲ್ಡಿಂಗ್ ಮೆಟೀರಿಯಲ್ಸ್ ಕೊಡುತ್ತೀರಿ, ಅದು ಪ್ರಯೋಜನವಿಲ್ಲ; ನ್ಯಾಯವಲ್ಲ.

ಅದ್ದರಿಂದ ಎಲ್ಲರಿಗೂ ಅವರವರ ಅಂದಾಜಿನ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಟಿಂಬರ್ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಬರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಅನುಕೂಲವಾಗುವ ಹಾಗೆ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಏತಕ್ಕೆ ಪ್ರಯತ್ನ ಮಾಡಬಾರದು?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, the upper limit is Rs. 300. It is not necessary that we should go up to Rs. 300. It may be given up to Rs. 300.

Sri G. N. PUTTANNA.—When the family consists of more members, is it not possible for the Government to relax the limit of Rs. 300 and give more timber to the people deserving by getting an estimate prepared for such building?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—If there are such exceptions; Government will have to consider. Exceptions cannot be made the rule.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಜಿ. ನರಸಿಂಹೇಗೌಡ.—ಇತ್ತೀಚೆಗೆ ಪ್ರವಾಹಗಳಿಂದುಂಟಾಗಿರತಕ್ಕ ನಷ್ಟದ ಬಗ್ಗೆ ಇಂಡಿಯಾ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಮೈಸೂರು ಸಂಸ್ಥಾನಕ್ಕೆ ಎಷ್ಟು ಗ್ರಾಂಟನ್ನು ಕಳುಹಿಸಿದ್ದಾರೆ?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Sir, the Government of India has sent an amount of Rs. 1 crore. But they have sent certain rules. Under these rules, we will have to give that money.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಜಿ. ನರಸಿಂಹೇಗೌಡ.—ಹಾಗಾದರೆ ಇಲ್ಲಿಯವರೆಗೂ ಅವರು ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರತಕ್ಕ ಗ್ರಾಂಟು ಪೈಕಿ ಎಷ್ಟೆಷ್ಟು ಹಣವನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲೆಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದೀರಿ?

Sri B. D. JATTI—The amounts are kept at the disposal of the Deputy Commissioners and if he feels that certain amount has to be any body, he is free to do it.

Sri K. P. KARUMBAYYA.—The total amount of allotment made to Coorg is 3 lakhs. Whether it has come to the notice of the Government, that so far in Virajpet alone, six lakhs have been distributed among the people?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Not unlikely. In the first instance three lakhs were allotted. Later the Deputy Commissioners were specially directed not to delay disbursement. That was the general order passed by the Government.

Sri V. SRINIVASA SHETTY.—Apart from the funds allotted to Coorg, may I know how much was given by the Chief Minister's relief fund?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—There was a first instalment of 82,000. Recently one lakhs has been released. I think the Government of Mysore has been able to collect seven lakhs and out of that, we will give the third instalment and even the fourth instalment.

Sri V. SRINIVASA SHETTY.—Is it not desirable that the Government should give immediate relief and see that funds are exhausted in this behalf?

Sri B. D. JATTI.—Immediate relief is given.